

BOB CASEY MISLABELED AS PRO-LIFE

Pennsylvania Senator Bob Casey, Jr., a Catholic, spoke at the Democratic National Convention on August 26. The senator's father, former Pennsylvania Governor Bob Casey, was barred from speaking at the 1992 Democratic National Convention because of his pro-life views.

Leading up to the Convention, Casey was touted as a pro-life Democrat and was presented as an example of the big-tent ideals of the Democrats.

According to CNSNews.com, Kristen Day, president of Democrats for Life, claimed that the Party had moved on from the days of the 1992 Convention. She said, "I think the Democratic Party is changing and moving away from abortion as a decision-making tool—when we're saying who can speak and who can't—and I think it is very encouraging to see this more inclusive party."

Leading up to this year's Convention, we spoke to the media on the fraud that was presented to the American people, that Bob Casey, Jr. is pro-life.

The truth is that Casey, Jr. has a NARAL voting record of 65 percent but considers himself pro-life. We stated that if a Democrat voted with the National Rifle Association two out of every three times, no one in his right mind would call that person an advocate of gun control. So why is Casey, Jr. considered pro-life? The Pennsylvania senator can mouth the virtues of pro-life all he wants, but at the end of the day what really matters is his voting record.

Casey's father, contrary to the spin, was not denied to speak at the 1992 Convention because he didn't endorse Bill Clinton for president. As Bob Casey said at the time, California Treasurer Kathleen Brown (sister of Jerry Brown) was allowed

to speak even though she endorsed her brother over Clinton. The difference was that Kathleen Brown was pro-abortion.

The Democrats—with the help of their friends in the media—used the Pennsylvania pro-abortion senator to sell the message that they have gotten beyond their anti-Catholic reputation. That reputation, which was played out at the 1992 Democratic National Convention by delegates who wore buttons depicting Casey, Sr. as the pope, still sticks. If they were serious about reaching out to Catholics and jettisoning their anti-Catholic baggage once and for all, they could have allowed a prominent Catholic to speak in Denver who is truly pro-life.

That should have been an easy choice to make given the small pool of eligible candidates.